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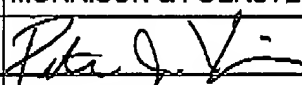
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the nonfinal Office Action dated October 6, 2004 (Paper No. 20041001) for which a response is due on January 6, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, and the new claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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